Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 14 Feb 2022 until 23:59 on Tuesday 15 Feb 2022

Forecast Issued on Monday 14 Feb 2022 at 02:18 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for cold conditions with showers or longer spells of snow early in the week, and for the transition to much more unsettled and windy weather from midweek.

Headline for Monday 14 Feb 2022: Showers this morning slowly dying out with sunny spells developing. Winds easing later.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 14 Feb 2022

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** Low Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow showers (night)	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Clear night
Precipitation probability					
40%	40%	40%	20%	20%	<05%

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Weather: Showers will become more frequent later this morning, with snow above around 700 m , which will spread south across all ranges. Brightening up this afternoon with sunny spells and just a few showers, these mainly around western coastal ranges, with the snow level lowering to around 400 m.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% this morning becoming 80% during the afternoon away from western coastal ranges.

Low cloud and visibility: Fairly extensive cloud above 600 m, with some patches down to 300 m, this largely clearing during the afternoon with very good visibilities outside the showers, but low cloud persisting across Skye and perhaps Torridon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	28/32 N	28/33 N	21/27 N	19/24 N	10/13 NE	10/13 S	19/25 S
900	25/29 N	26/31 N	21/26 N	19/23 N	10/13 NE	10/12 S	19/24 S
600	17/21 N	20/25 N	16/22 N	13/18 N	4/7 NE	7/10 S	13/19 S
300	5/23 N	7/26 N	8/23 N	7/19 N	3/9 N	3/8 SE	2/15 SE
Glen	10/22 N	11/24 N	11/22 N	11/20 NE	4/8 N	4/8 SE	7/15 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-1/-10	-2/-10	-2/-9	-3/-10	-4/-9	-4/-9	-4/-11
900	-1/-8	-1/-9	-1/-8	-2/-9	-3/-8	-3/-8	-3/-10
600	1/-4	1/-5	1/-4	0/-5	-0/-3	-1/-5	-1/-6
300	3/1	3/0	3/0	3/-0	2/0	0/-1	1/-1
Glen	6/2	6/2	6/3	6/2	4/2	3/1	3/0
Freezing Level*	800m	600m	700m	500m	400m	300m	300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Conditions improving from the north during the afternoon, with the best conditions across Caithness and Sutherland, where apart from a few showers, the mountains will be largely clear of cloud.

Forecast for Tuesday 15 Feb 2022

Weather: Outbreaks of rain with snow above 600 m will spread from the west during the early hours, clearing to showers by dawn with the snow level lowering 200-400 m by the afternoon. Some sunshine in-between the showers, mainly towards Ben Wyvis. The showers will largely die out during the evening.

Maximum wind: West 35 gusts 50 mph, slowly easing.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% becoming 60% later.

Low cloud and visibility: A good deal of low cloud above 600 m in the west, but patchier above 800 m in the east. Cloud falling to lower slopes as the showers pass through. Good visibility between the showers. Clouds becoming patchy across all ranges during the evening.

Temperature: **Glens:** plus 2 rising to plus 6 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 2 Celsius
Freezing level: 600 m lowering 200-400 m

Friday	Confidence low at this stage, but looks as if heavy snow will spread from the south during the morning, with north-northwesterly gales over the summits, improving later as the winds ease and the snow gives way to showers.

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